

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

APR 25 2006

BRINKS
HOFFER
GILSON
& LIONE

FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

Date: April 25, 2006

To: Attn: Group Art Unit 2632
Examiner: Davetta Woods Goins
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
fax: 571-273-8300

Re: Applicants: Daniel J. Mattson et al.
U.S. Pat. App. Serial No. 09/558,386
Filed: April 25, 2000
For: SYSTEM FOR DETECTING AND
RELEASING A PERSON LOCKED
IN THE TRUNK OF A VEHICLE
Confirmation No: 9739

From: Raymond W. Green
tel: 312-321-4222
fax: 312-321-4299
e-mail: rgreen@usebrinks.com

Client No: 285/502

No. of Pages, including cover: 4

Confirmation Copy To Follow: Yes ☐ No ☒

IF PROBLEMS, CALL 312-321-4200M AND ASK FOR: Nancy Lawson, Ext. 4322

THIS MESSAGE IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THE INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY TO WHICH IT IS ADDRESSED. IT MAY CONTAIN PRIVILEGED, CONFIDENTIAL, ATTORNEY WORK PRODUCT, OR TRADE SECRET INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER APPLICABLE LAWS. IF YOU ARE NOT THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, OR AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERING THE MESSAGE TO THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ANY DISSEMINATION, DISTRIBUTION, OR COPYING OF THIS MESSAGE IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS MESSAGE IN ERROR, PLEASE NOTIFY US IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE AND RETURN THE ORIGINAL MESSAGE (AND ALL COPIES) TO US BY MAIL AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS. WE WILL REIMBURSE YOU FOR POSTAGE.

PAPER FILED HERewith BY FACSIMILE:

RECORD OF INTERVIEWS

A Professional Corporation
Intellectual Property Attorneys

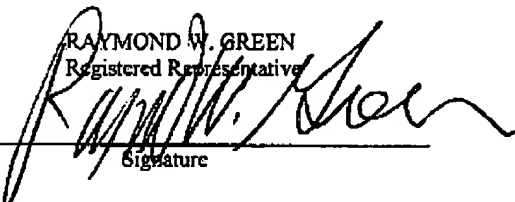
NBC Tower - Suite 3600
455 N. Cityfront Plaza Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60611-5599
Facsimile 312-321-4299
Telephone 312-321-4200

Indianapolis, IN
Detroit, MI
Toledo, OH
Arlington, VA

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted by facsimile to 571-273-8300, on April 25, 2006.

**RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
APR 25 2006**

RAYMOND W. GREEN
Registered Representative

Signature

Date of Signature: April 25, 2006

PATENT
Case 285/502

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Daniel J. Mattson et al.	:	
Serial No.:	09/558,386	:	Confirmation No. 9739
Filed:	April 25, 2000	:	Group Art Unit: 2632
For:	SYSTEM FOR DETECTING AND RELEASING A PERSON LOCKED IN THE TRUNK OF A VEHICLE	:	Examiner: Davetta Woods Goins

VIA FACSIMILE -- 571-273-8300
MAIL STOP AF
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RECORD OF INTERVIEWS

On Tuesday, April 25, 2006, a telephone interview was held between the Examiner, Davetta Goins, and the undersigned Attorney, Raymond W. Green, the courtesy of which is noted with appreciation. The call was initiated by the Examiner. The Examiner stated that she had reviewed the Application with a Special Programs Examiner; that this Application would be formally **ALLOWED**; and that the Miller Patent (6,130,614) now involved in Reexamination 90/006,690 will not be a bar to issuance of the present Application.

By way of background, on Tuesday, April 11, 2006, and over the next few days, a telephone interview was held between Examiner Goins, and the undersigned Attorney Green, the courtesy of which is noted with appreciation. The call was initiated by the Examiner.

In the initial telephone call, the Examiner stated that she had conducted a supplemental search as discussed in the interview of March 30, but that the references reviewed did not meet the limitations of the claims; and that Examiner Goins was attempting to schedule a meeting with a Special Programs Examiner to determine the proper next course of action. She also stated that the outstanding rejections in the Final Rejection of January 10, 2006, would be withdrawn, to eliminate the need to appeal the rejection.

In a second call, I expressed the hope that a paper mailed by the Examiner would explicitly withdraw the rejections, as otherwise we would need to file a Notice of Appeal (and perhaps briefs) in order to maintain the pendency of the Application.

In a third call, I understood Examiner Goins to say she would issue an Interview Summary report, in which she would explicitly withdraw the rejections then applied to the claims, *i.e.*, the rejections contained in the Final Rejection of January 10, 2006.

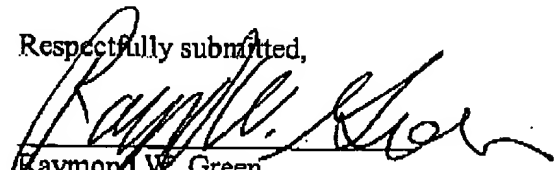
I also mentioned the current appeal of the final rejection applied in the Reexamination (90/006,690) of the Miller Patent (6,130,614), of which Applicants have substantially copied claims for purpose of interference. Given the relatively low backlog of appeals pending at the Board, and my understanding that reexaminations go to "the head of the line" at the Board for decision, I opined that a decision on the appeal may appear soon.

On April 18, 2006, an (examiner's) Interview Summary was mailed. The Interview Summary states that "*The previous Final Action mailed 10 January 2006 will be withdrawn. A meeting with a Special Programs Examiner will take place within the next few days*", and

that "APPLICANT IS GIVEN ... ONE MONTH ... TO FILE [Applicants'] STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW." Accordingly, the present Record of Interviews is filed, recounting my recollections of the conversations between me and Examiner Goins.

On April 24, 2006, I placed a call to Examiner Goins, and left a message inquiring whether the anticipated meeting with a Special Programs Examiner had yet taken place. On April 25, 2006, the call referred to above was received.

Respectfully submitted,



Raymond W. Green
Registration No. 24,587

BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE
P. O. Box 10395
Chicago, Illinois 60610
312-321-4222

April 25, 2006